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In re Application of :
Van Alstyne, et al. : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 09/489,850 :
Filed: January 24, 2000 :
Atty. Dkt. No.: ALSTYNE-P001 :

This is a decision on the petition filed June 25, 2011, which is being properly treated as a renewed petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified application.

This application became abandoned March 19, 2007 for failure to timely reply to the non-final Office action mailed December 18, 2006. The non-final Office action set a three month shortened statutory period of time for reply. No extensions of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a) were timely requested. Notice of Abandonment was mailed July 26, 2007.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply, unless previously filed; (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) any terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)) required by 37 CFR 1.137(d). Where there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137 was unintentional, the Director may require additional information. See MPEP 711.03(c)(II)(C) and (D).

The instant petition has been carefully reviewed and found in compliance with the provisions set forth above.

In view thereof, the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is hereby **GRANTED**.

This application is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 1645 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 571-3205.

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